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Dear Josh.

You and M. seem to feel that we are giving you'the business' about Harper's <u>Well</u>. We are not, honestly. Rudy Ruibal first took us there. If you look at your topo maps for the area SW of the Salton Sea, you will see route 86 going south. Just south of where it joins route 78 there is a place called Kane Spring-- it is just a clump of trees, a terrain that looks like a town dump, and several small pools. Kane Spring is just east of route 86. On the opposite side of the road a dirt road extends roughly NW WNW for several miles until one comes to a wash, with water, and Harper's Well. It is about half a mile south of San Felipe Creek.

We have been there twice and have had no trouble getting there with our Dodge Dart -- the road is hard. Not much of a place but, since San Felipe Creek was the only sure water the early travellers found when they cane west from Yuma, I found it moving. San Felipe Creek is apparently one of the very few (only?) wear round streams in that part of the world.

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